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Quan Vu et al.)
Serial No. 09/249,642)
Filed: February 12, 1999)
For: **METHOD OF AND APPARATUS)
FOR GENERATING A PRECISE)
FRAME RATE IN DIGITAL)
VIDEO TRANSMISSION FROM)
A COMPUTER SYSTEM TO A)
DIGITAL VIDEO DEVICE)**

Group Art Unit: 2612

Examiner: Wilson, J.

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO
OFFICE ACTION MAILED ON
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AMENDMENTS

In The Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows (clean version of amended claims):

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- 1.* (Twice Amended) A method of transmitting information from a source device at a predetermined rate, the method comprising:
 - a.* forming x number of first data blocks wherein each of the first data blocks contains n units of data;
 - b.* forming y number of second data blocks wherein each of the second data blocks contains m units of data; and
 - c.* combining x number of first data blocks and y number of second data blocks into a data stream to achieve the predetermined rate, wherein the first data blocks and the second data blocks are of a same type.



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Enclosed please find an Amendment and Response to Office Action mailed on June 6, 2001, for filing with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fee or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 08-1275. An originally executed duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,
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